

The Fire Safety Board Code of Appeal and review met in the conference room located at 260 West Exchange Street, Providence RI on July 12, 2005. The meeting was called to order at 1:05 P.M.

Present at the meeting were Chairman Farrell, Vice Chairman Coutu and Commissioners Blackburn, Richards, Newbrook, Preiss, Evans, Pearson, Fillippi and O'Connell. Also present were Executive Director Thomas Coffey, Esq. and Administrative Assistant Desiree Campanini.

The following appeals were heard:

Appeal #050578: Mr. Stephen F. Marginson for the property located at 1 John H. Chafee Boulevard, Newport. Chief Deputy Michael DiMascolo appeared for the RI State Fire Marshal's Office. A motion was made by Commissioner Pearson and seconded by Commissioner Burlingame to grant the State Fire Marshal's Office the authority to issue a temporary certificate of occupancy for a portion of CCRI. The motion was unanimous.

Appeal #040238: Mr. Arthur Washburn for the property located at 34 Southwest Avenue, Jamestown. Marshals Christman and Godena appeared for the Jamestown Fire Marshal's Office. A motion was made by Commissioner Newbrook and seconded by Commissioner Filippi to grant the Applicant's request for a time extension to put in a fire alarm. The Jamestown Fire Marshal's Office had no objection to

the request for a time extension, but requested that the Applicant have a thirty day (30) period to have a written contract in place and forward to their office. The Board made a motion that that Applicant must have a written contract in with fire alarm company and to forward the contract to the Jamestown Fire Marshal's Office within thirty (30) days, and then a time frame after that which they must come into compliance no longer then 120 days. The motion was unanimous.

Appeal #050302: Mr. Paul Pasch and Mr. Frank Bragantin for the property located at 250 Rand Street, Central Falls. Vice Chairman Coutu recused himself from consideration of this case. Marshal Gerard Dion appeared for the Central Falls Fire Marshal's Office. The Applicant requested an expedited hearing to implement a plan of action regarding the removal of the rate of rise detectors and replacing them with fixed detectors. The alarms are located near the showers and for the past year the Central Falls Fire Department has responded to several calls due to detectors activating accidentally. The property has been put on notice by the Central Falls Fire Department that any further false alarms will result in a citation and fines will be issued. A motion was made by Commissioner Newbook and seconded by Commissioner Blackburn to grant the Applicant relief to remove the rate of rise detectors to prevent further accidental false alarms. The Board has advised the Applicant and Central Falls Fire Marshal's Office that this case file will remain open until the Central Falls Fire Marshal's Office has completed a full inspection to

address any other issues in this facility. The motion was unanimous

Appeal#040385: Mr. Larry Fortier is the new owner of the property located at 1185 Smithfield Avenue, Lincoln. Marshal Fisher appeared for the Lincoln Fire Marshal's Office. A motion was made by Vice Chairman Coutu and seconded by Commissioner Newbrook to grant the applicant a variance in item #1, separation between the business occupancy and the residential occupancy that does not meet the required 2 hour separation. The Marshal has no objection to this variance. A variance was also granted for the doorframe at the top of the stairs of the basement. The marshal has no objection to this variance. All other deficiencies have been corrected. The motion was unanimous

Appeal's#050316, 050317, 050318, 050319, 050320, 050321, 050322. 050323, 050324, 050325, 050326, 050327, 050328, 050329, 050330: Attorney Mirlen Martines, Tim LaRose, John Cameo for the properties located on the campus of the Roger Williams University, Bristol. Chief Robert Martin appeared for the Bristol Fire Department. Commissioners Blackburn and Burlingame recused themselves from consideration of this case. A motion was made by Commissioner Newbrook and seconded by Commissioner Preiss to approve the Applicant's plan of action for the upgrading of the fire alarm systems in these buildings within the time frame that the Jamestown Fire Marshal and the Applicant have agreed on. The motion was unanimous.

Appeal #050458: Mr. Steve Durkee for the property located at 115 Empire Street, Providence. Marshal Daniel Isles appeared for Providence Fire Marshal's Office. This hearing is being held on an emergency basis. A motion was made by Commissioner Burlingame and seconded by Commissioner Newbrook to grant the Providence Fire Marshal's Office the authority to issue a temporary certificate of occupancy for a one time event at AS220 as long as they comply with the 13 point plan of action put in place by the Providence Fire Marshal's Office. The Marshal has no objection. The motion was unanimous.

Old Business:

The Board approved the sub-committee's recommendation to accept the plan of action presented by representatives of the Funeral Home Industry. The specifics of that plan are outlined in blanket variance 05-20.

Meeting was adjourned at 2:20 P.M.

Respectfully submitted

Desiree Campanini